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Structure of a Vehicle**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
WITH TRANSLATION OF PCT ANNEXES**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Addition of Substitute pages based on the Annexes to the International
Examination Report** begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listings of claims which
begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8.

Annexes

English translation of the Annexes, substitute specification pages 1 to 4a, and 9 to 11 are submitted herewith. MPEP 1893.01(a)(3). These pages include the English translation of the Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report. These Substitute pages should be substituted for pages 1 to 4, and 9 to 11 of the English translation of the original application. The pages showing "SUBSTITUTE PAGE" on the bottom should be used as these have been formatted for substitution into the English translation of the PCT application. The translation of the Annexes attached to the International Preliminary Examination Report should not be used as these are not formatted for substitution into the English translation of the PCT application.

The English translation of the specification after entering the Annexes should include the following:

- Pages 1 to 4a of substitute pages,
- Pages 5 to 8 of the English translation of original application,
- Pages 9 to 11 of substitute pages (Claims),
- Page 12 of original English translation of original application (Abstract).